Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Thursday 03 Mar 2022 until 23:59 on Friday 04 Mar 2022

Forecast Issued on Thursday 03 Mar 2022 at 02:42 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: High for general developments, but low for extent of showers and any heavier rain on Thursday. High for improving conditions over the weekend.

Headline for Thursday 03 Mar 2022: Some patchy rain this morning, heavier in the afternoon. Cold and breezy.

Mountain weather hazards on Thursday 03 Mar 2022

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
Low Likelihood

Severe chill effect
Medium Likelihood

Poor visibility
High Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Light rain	Light rain	Light rain	Sleet	Light snow	Light snow
Precipitation probability					
50%	50%	50%	60%	60%	60%

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Weather: Cloudy. Patchy rain or drizzle across Skye, Glen Shiel and Knoydart in the morning, other ranges perhaps drier. Rain turns heavier and more widespread in the afternoon, turning to wet snow above 1000m. Further rain, snow above 700m, spreading into the west coast through the evening.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 20-30%, best chance in the north.

Low cloud and visibility: Mostly poor visibility. Cloud bases around 500-700m, most extensive across the Cuillins and ranges further south. Cloud may lift above the summits at times in the northwest, mainly in the afternoon.

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Forecast for Thursday 03 Mar 2022

Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	39/45 SE	31/36 S	26/34 S	13/19 W	16/21 W	15/20 NW	13/18 NW
900	33/38 SE	26/32 S	24/32 S	13/19 W	15/21 W	14/19 NW	13/17 NW
600	22/28 SE	18/24 S	18/26 S	11/17 W	11/16 NW	8/13 NW	7/12 NW
300	1/28 SE	2/25 S	7/23 S	6/16 W	7/17 NW	7/16 NW	5/14 N
Glen	14/31 SE	8/23 SE	10/22 S	9/17 W	8/16 NW	6/13 N	5/11 N

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	-0/-9	-0/-8	0/-7	0/-5	-1/-7	-2/-7	-2/-7
900	0/-8	1/-6	1/-5	1/-4	-0/-6	-1/-6	-1/-6
600	3/-3	3/-2	4/-1	3/-1	2/-2	1/-2	1/-2
300	5/4	6/4	6/4	5/2	4/1	3/0	2/0
Glen	8/4	8/6	9/6	7/4	6/4	6/4	5/4
Freezing Level*	1200m	1100m	1100m	1000m	800m	800m	700m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View

Best of the conditions will be in the north, but still expect a cold day with a notable wind chill. More extensive hill fog in the south will give challenging navigation conditions.

Forecast for Friday 04 Mar 2022

Weather: Snow showers, with rain below around 600m in the early hours, clearing before dawn. Then a dry day. Rather cloudy in the east, but sunny along the west coast.

Maximum wind: Northwest 10 mph.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 800m: 70% soon improving to 90%.

Low cloud and visibility: Very good or excellent. Some patchy cloud above 600m likely early morning, but this should soon lift above the summits.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 1 Celsius rising to 7 Celsius.
At 800m: Minus 2 Celsius, rising to zero Celsius for a time in the afternoon.
Freezing level: 700-800m in the morning, 500-600m in the afternoon.

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